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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS:CGEN (U.S. V. SIMMONS)

SUBJECT: JUDICIAL ASSISTANCE

1. CRIMINAL DIVISION DOJ, FEELS THAT RESPONSES TO RISTAU'S  
LETTER TO VARIOUS BANKS IN HONG KONG IS OF PRIME IMPORTANCE,  
PARTICULARLY FROM FIRST NATIONAL CITY BANK, AND THE  
CHARTERED BANK. WITHOUT THEIR ASSISTANCE, NO CRIMINAL  
PROSECUTION IS POSSIBLE. ALSO, IN ORDER TO MAKE A  
COMPLETE EVALUATION OF SIMMONS SETTLEMENT OFFER, WE NEED  
A RESPONSE FROM THOSE TWO BANKS. WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT  
EITHER MR. PRECHTLE OR MR. MILLER INITIATE CONTACT WITH  
THE BANKS EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH MR. BECKER OF THE  
HONG KONG POLICE.

2. THE BANKS MAY BE WILLING TO COOPERATE WITH RESPECT TO  
PROVIDING THEIR RECORDS, BUT DECLINE TO SEND A BANK OFFICER  
TO THE U.S. AT THAT POINT, INQUIRY SHOULD BE MADE AS TO  
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WHETHER THEY WOULD COOPERATE IN A DEPOSITION PROCEDURE

PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 3491.

3. CRIMINAL DIVISION REPEATS RISTAU'S ASSURANCE THAT  
THE DOCUMENTS THEMSELVES WOULD FIRST BE SECURED THROUGH  
LETTERS ROGATORY PROCEDURE IN ORDER TO ABSOLVE THOSE TWO  
BANKS OF ANY CIVIL LIABILITY. INGERSOLL

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